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COUNCILMEMBER DJOU: DRAMATIC INCREASE IN PROPERTY TAXES DUE TODAY

"Today, property tax bills are due and the people of Honolulu will pay yet another dramatic increase in taxes," stated Councilmember Charles K. Djou (Waikiki, East Honolulu). Councilmember Djou reminds the public, "The City must get its fiscal house in order and reduce spending. The public continues to pay even more taxes, but with potholes everywhere, on-going landfill problems and a broken wastewater system, we are not getting more for all of these tax increases."

This year, Honolulu residents will pay \$23 million more in real property taxes over last year. Over the past 18 months the City Council has also voted to increase the vehicle tax, real property taxes twice, building permit fees, park fees and garbage tipping fees. Councilmember Djou is the only member of the Honolulu City Council to oppose every tax increase since entering office.

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